A Full and True

ACCOUNT

Of the Strange Discovery of the

Suppoſed Murther,

OF

Mr. Thomas Tedder

In *Black Swan-Alley* in *Pauls-Church-Yard*, who hath not been heard of this 5 Years.

With the manner of the Diſcovery,

By Letters to ſeveral Perſons of Note, to ſearch a Vault in the Houſe of Mr. *Allen*, where he formerly Lodg'd, where was found the Bones, and part of the Scull of the ſuppoſed Murthered Perſon.

With Mr. Allvens *Examination,*

Before the Lord *Mayor* on *Saturday* laſt, and of his being Bound over to Anſwer it at the next *Seſſions.*

4. Dec. 1699.

UPon account of ſome Letters arrived here, whereof one to the Right Honourable the Lord Mayor, one to——*Andger* Eſq; Counſellor at Law, and the reſt to ſeveral other Perſons of Note, giving an Account of a ſuſpitious Murder, thought to be committed by one Mr. *Allen*, who keeps a great Toy-Shop near *Deans-Court* in *Paul's Church-yard*, upon a certain Gentleman, who lodged at his Houſe, a Juſtice of Peace in *Ireland*, who has not been heard of ~~theſe~~ ſince theſe five or ſix Years paſt; about which time, he was known to be at the ſaid *Allen's* Houſe in *Black-ſwan-Alley*, in *Pauls-Church-yard*, and the ſaid Letters particularly inſiſting, that the ſaid *Allen's* Houſe of Office ſhould be emptied and ſearched; and the ſaid Eſq; *Andger* going to the Lord-Mayor, to acquaint him with the purport of the Letter, his Lordſhip finding it to agree with that ſent to him, gave orders on laſt *Friday* for emptying the ſaid Vault, and ordered the other Gentlemen concerned to take care to ſee all that came out carefully examined: Which being done accordingly, we are told that the ſaid Night-men found a piece of a Scull with Hair upon it, and ſeveral other Bones, which were carefully kept and carried; together with Mr. *Allen* and the Night-men, before his Lordſhip; where the Night-men declared, That beſides the Soil which they took out, they brought alſo a good quantity of Lime, which gave ſome ſuſpition that the ſaid Lime had been thrown in to conſume the Fleſh of the party ſuppoſed to be Murdered.

Mr. *Allen* owned, as I am told, that he put in the ſaid Lime, but alledged, that it was to ſave the charge of emptyng the Vault, becauſe he did not think of living long there, and to prevent annoying his Neighbours by the Stench. Some Surgeons were ſummoned to give their Verdict upon the Bones this Night, which all agreed that it was the Scull and Bones of ſome Perſon, thought to be murdered. However, upon the whole, the ſaid *Allen* is bound over to anſwer the ſame the next Seſſions, and has given Six Hundred Pound Bail to anſwer it accordingly.

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